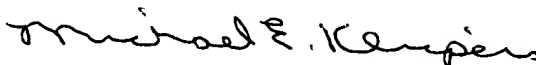


Figs. 3a and 3b. No new matter is added. Claims 1-14 have been cancelled without prejudice of disclaimer.

It is therefore respectfully submitted that Claims 15-42 are allowable and that the application should be passed to issue.

Based on the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance. If any matters can be resolved by telephone, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 502274.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael E. Klicpera". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Michael" and last name "Klicpera" clearly distinguishable.

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